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Education

- **Pursuing a Ph.D. in Applied Math & Statistics** Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
Expected Graduation: 2012
 - Current Classes: Analysis, Probability, Foundations of Optimization, Shape and Geometry
- **B.S. in Mathematics with a minor in Computer Science** Concord University, Athens, WV
Date Awarded: 2006
 - Major GPA: 4.00 Overall GPA: 3.94

Experience

- **Mathematical Modeling and Analysis** LANL, Los Alamos, NM
Student Researcher Summer, 2005, February, 2006 - July, 2007
 - Worked on a method for exact reconstruction of sparse data
 - Implemented fast and efficient algorithms for image segmentation
 - Developed a model for total variation regularization accounting for Poisson noise
 - Proposed various geometric measures for the analysis and regularization of curves
 - Added different algorithms to an existing software package for image processing
- **Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics** UCLA, Los Angeles, CA
RIPS2004 Participant Summer, 2004
 - Implemented an algorithm for panoramic image stitching
 - Developed a technique for producing high-dynamic range images from several exposures
 - Delivered software and a technical report to the industrial sponsors
- **Interdisciplinary Center for Applied Mathematics** Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
Research Assistant Summer, 2003
 - Developed mathematical models for dynamical systems, such as spread of SARS disease
 - Analyzed the data and verified for the stability of the systems
 - Solved the mathematical models using MATLAB
- **Computer Science/Math Department** Concord University, Athens, WV
Departmental Assistant Jan., 2002 - May, 2005
 - Tutored all level mathematics and programming classes
 - Graded student homework, and recorded data
 - Monitored computer science labs and department classes

Computer and Language Skills

- C++, MATLAB, L^AT_EX
- Fluent Bulgarian and Russian, intermediate German

Activities and Awards

- Isaacs Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University, 2007 - 2011
- Joseph Marsh Scholarship of Distinction, Concord University, 2002 - 2006

- Dean's List, 2002 - 2006
- Certificate of Accomplishment, Math and Computer Science Tutor, 2004
- Computer Science/Math Club, Concord University, President, 2003

Conferences, Workshops and Summer Schools

- IPCV'07: The 2007 International Conference on Image Processing, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, Las Vegas NV, Jul. 25-28, 2007
- IPAM Short Course: Sparse Representations and High Dimensional Geometry : In conjunction with the AMS 2007 Von Neumann Symposium, Los Angeles Ca., May 30 - Jun. 1, 2007
- IPAM Random Shapes Workshop IV - Image Processing for Random Shapes with Applications to Brain Mapping, Geophysics and Astrophysics, Los Angeles Ca., Aug. 20-25, 2007
- CSU/LANL Workshop on Data Driven Modeling, Fort Collins Co., Sep. 28, 2006
- DDMA Workshop, Ouray Co., July 30 - Aug. 13, 2006
- IPAM Graduate Summer School on Intelligent Extraction of Information from High-Dimensional Data and Graphs, Los Angeles Ca., Summer 2005

Publications, Technical Reports, and Research Highlights

- Chartrand R, Staneva V., *A fast solution to the convex unconstrained reformulation of the Chan-Vese model*, in preparation
- Chartrand R, Staneva V., *Non-convex regularization for image segmentation*, Proceedings of IPCV'07 - The 2007 International Conference on Image Processing, Computer Vision, and Pattern Recognition, Las Vegas, NV
- Chartrand R., Staneva V., *A quasi-Newton method for reconstruction of images corrupted by non-Gaussian noise*, under review of IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, 2007
- Barrow P., Kenney J., Staneva V., *Density-tuned curve regularization*, Mathematical Modeling and Analysis Research Highlights, Spring 2006
- Chong D., Kumar M., Quagraine P., Staneva V., *Panoramic image stitching and high-dynamic range imaging*, RIPS technical report, 2004